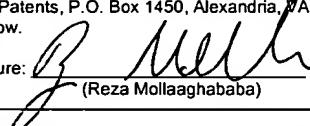


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action issued on September 8, 2004, Applicants provide the following amendments and remarks. Reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

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